

Jimmy Carter has called passage of the Windfall Profits Tax "good news...for the whole world". If you can swallow that, you'll go apeshit over this **ISSUE 62** of

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Various Notes

BOB SERGEANT has been reported as planning to re-enter the publishing ranks soon. He formerly published ST GEORGE & THE DRAGON, a top zine in its time, and is finishing his games in it in a skeleton zine of the same name. Watch for "Son of St George" or whatever from Bob at 3242 Lupine Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46224.

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too
MICHAEL MILLS has put out the 1980 Zine Directory, a 14 page affair listing US, Can, and European zines, plus some notes on organizations. The paragraph on the IDA is way off base (tho the IDA is defunct for all practical purposes, even tho some people like to bandy the term around); and a lot of the zines listed are really variant or wargaming zines, but it is still impressive as a product. Quite a few of the zines listed are not really ones you could receive each month in the regular sense (many subzines & specialized publications), but lists a lot of raw data. Write Mike for details at 3457 Makycs Rd, Nedrow, NY 13120. Why not ask for a sample of his regular zine EMHAIN MACHA while you're at it?

ROBERT SACKS continues to wrack up success after success in convincing Americans that everyone in his New York City is completely off their rocker. The current push involves attacks on Dick Martin (RETALIATION) and others involved in their successful orphan games work. It seems that many years another New Yorker, someone named "Heuer", was annointed Orphan Games Director in a process Mr Sacks approved of. Today, though, this upstart Martin-Daly-Brawner gang is usurping the role "Heuer" claims title to, (and without asking Sacks' approval either) to do the job that "Heuer" never did. So now Sacks attacks those who are providing a vital and neglected hobby service. In the eyes of Sacks, it seems that form and formality are everything, content and reality are nothing. If you hear anything about Sacks, Heuer, or a new (or old) "Orphan Games Project", pretend it came from "Bernie Oaklyn" Tretick and treat it accordingly. But, if you have an orphan game or want one, write: Dick Martin, 26 Orchard Way N, Rockville, MD 20854; or John Daly, THE DOGS OF WAR, Rt 2 Box 136-M5, Rockwell, NC 28138; or Jack Brawner, THE FLYING DUTCHMAN, 2745 S 58 Ave, #260, St Petersburg, FL 33712. They're doing the job. (In fact, if you don't get their zines, why not send them a stamp in any case and try them yourself?) My thanks to MARK BERCHE for some updated news of this matter.

TWO MORE fake VOLKERWANDERUNG have come out, making it one of the most oft-appearing zines around! You'd think it was BB, or Voice of Doom! Another PASSCHENDAELE has appeared as well, entertaining enough if only for the jibes at TORONTO TELEGRAM (Bill LaFosse) Check it out! (Francois Guerrier, 2210-160 Chapel St, Ottawa, Ontario K1N 8P5, CANADA.

RON BROWN (MURDRIN'MINISTERS, 1528 El Camino, Bakersfield, CA 93304) is looking for standbys for SUMMARINE.

BRUXISM is a disease, or at least a bad habit that can lead to disease, according to a clipping sent in by BEN SCHILLING. Bruxism is the grinding of teeth together, usually during sleep. It is caused by tension, nervousness, or reading Linsey's VOICE OF DOOM...

The remainder of this page is an update of the latest activities and happenings in your IDA:

More Random Poop---

* LATE ZINE DIRECTORY NOTE: According to the CDO NATIONAL, resignations in IDA may have made Mike's info more accurate than mine. I'm just an IDA member.

LETTERS of all sorts keep rolling in, surprising and astounding me with their amazing knowledge and insight. KONRAD BAUMEISTER took time from his annual sabbatical to the Vaterland to write me a postcard telling me that all BB xeroxing and postage "is" free: amazing. I had always thought that the checks I wrote each month, or the sub checks occasionally endorsed over to Harper, were actually cashed and applied against their maker's accounts. Silly me. Then ROD WALKER wrote to explain that his sub has lapsed because of my policy of refusing to print his letters! Come on now, folks; the last thing I ever censored was some Brux Linsey press, despite a lot of you wishing I really did censor a lot of everyone else's stuff. In fairness to Rod, he mentioned Boardman, which is a sore spot here: I prefer to ignore the latter as much as I can, as I am wary of the man's irrational attitudes and threats against those who disagree successfully with him. If there were an earlier Walker letter heaping unfounded (or founded, perhaps...) abuse on the good doctor, it might have been rejected, although I certainly do NOT recall receiving any such. And while Rod opposes the "censorship" he sees here, Baumeister opposes the lack of it that he sees here.

Then DICK MARTIN wrote, responding to some of my comments about Gibson, making a stronger case than I thought possible comparing Gibson with Tretick. Summarized by me, his argument goes: //If it is OK for Gibson to freely write anyone, why not so for Tretick? What's the difference between Tretick's lying and defrauding people who are taken in, and Gibson's lying and defaming others? // Well, one critical difference I see is that Gibson, if/when in error, brings abuse only on himself; Tretick, as a GM/publisher, casts mud on our entire hobby. TRETICK himself sent another Front showing that he too has gone to lighter paper inside, allowing for a large number of pages in a very professional looking product. Too bad it is wasted on such insane ramblings and fraudulent "games". Finally, GIBSON sent me a copy of a letter he sent another publisher, in part blasting BB for not printing enough of his material, while going ahead with letters from his detractors. Well, if any one of you feels that Curtis Gibson has received too little space here, write him forthwith and say so! He can then forward the letters to me (in a box?) and I will certainly consider changing my policy on ignoring a lot of what he sends. (c/o A-1, 176 Lexington Ave, NYC 10016) On the other hand, those of you who feel that Gibson has received too much space already need not write, as I've had plenty of those letters already. Anyhow, more Gibson this issh.

LIBERIA has entered the headlines for one brief day with some good tidings. No more are revolutions the prerogative of South American generals, Greek colonels, or barefoot Congolese; no, now a SERGEANT has pulled off a revolution! It's about time! I'm tired of hearing about the officers doing everything (usually from officers). Let's see what the enlisted men can do on their own for a change! They seem to be off to a good clean start, beheading the next in line for president by removing the old one's son...

FREE GIFT in this issue! The latest DIPLOMACY DIGEST (Mark Berch, 492 Naylor Place, Alexandria, VA 22304) contained a cute little form made up from the nonsensical "all purpose Diplomacy letter" that appeared here some issues back. Dave Grabar reprinted it, John Masters picked up and redid Grabar's copy, and Berch has distributed them with DD. Enclosed is a sheet with three of them that you can cut out and use. More available on request.

SPEAKING of requests, remember that I will run address labels from free-provided label masters for you for just the cost of postage to send them to you, plus about a dollar of rounding up. Good for your own zine, or for making FAKES. My own full mailing list on request! Write in confidence if interested.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL NORTH AMERICAN ZINE AND GAMEMASTER POLL is again getting under way. Rate each zine you get from 0-10, no fractions, with 10 being great and 0 being Front de Fraud duh Dippydom, and send your views to John Leeder, 121 Nineteenth Ave NE, Calgary, Alberta T2E 1N9, Canada. Do the same for your GMs (by name) if you wish also. Sign your list and indicate your participation in the hobby in some way such as "player in xxx", "subscriber to yyy", "publisher of zzz", "King of the IDA", or whatever. Deadline is the end of June, 1980. Publishers, please advertise this. Last year's turnout was a big 6 dozen, but that's still pretty small. Please do send in your preferences; a 10¢ postcard will travel 1st class to Calgary, and your opinions do count. Also, I repeat my usual offer: any of you who prefer not to spend 10-15¢ can send ME your list with orders or whatever, and I will mail it on myself. And I won't even add BB 3 times with a 10 (just twice), nor change your own "1" to a "10". Remember, Tretick has 5 votes not counting Gemignani, Sacks, Kovalcik, Ozog, Bassett, or Nehti. Get your say in there!

NEW BLOOD! Send a sample to Rick Ragsdale, 1009 Grazing Lane, Jacksonville, AR 72076

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E-G FINDING EASY PICKINS GETTING SLIM.
F, R IN RACE FOR FIRST OUT! POPE RETURNS!

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Winter, 1904: England builds F LON, A EDI; France r F Cly OTB, A Bur to MAR;
Germany builds A BER, A KIE; Italian A Tri rVEN, A Tyo r OTB; Russian A Pru
and A Gal r OTB per rules; Turkey builds A ANK

SPRING, 1905

AUSTRIA (Guajardo): A BUD-Gal; A VIE-Boh; A Tri-TYO

ENGLAND (Osuch): F Lon-WAL; A Edi-CLY; A LVP S A Edi-CLY; F NWG H;
F Nth-ENG; A PAR S F Bre-Gas; F Bre-GAS; F POR-Spasc

FRANCE (Fuchs): A Gas-Spa/ann.; A MAP S A Gas-Spa

GERMANY (Howe): F BEL H; A BUR-Mar; F BAL-Kie; A KIE-Mun; A MUN-Boh;
A BER-Sil; A SIL-Gal; A WAR S A Sil-Gal; A MOS S
RUSSIAN F Sev

ITALY (Palter): A VEN H; F ADR & F NAP S F Ion; F ION H

RUSSIA (CD): F SEV H

TURKEY (McCarty): A Gre-ALB; A SER S AUSTRIAN A Tri/OTM; A Ank-ARM;
F BLA S A Rum; A RUM S AUSTRIAN A Bud-Gal; F EAS-
Aeg; F AEG-Ion

Midgame gets under way at long last! Will this boil down to another EG-AT trench war like ~~TH~~ was? I suspect not. Let's see what FALL, 1905 looks like with my mail received at work MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1980. Also, thanks to Dave Grabar for getting in standby moves for Italy that were not needed. They arrived on the deadline the 7th, Dave. Thanks. Press follows:

GAL: The generous farmer reluctantly agreed to allow an Austrian ne'er-do-well refuge in his outhouse. After a week he was irritated to find that the vagabond had mounted a television antenna atop his abode. "He must have installed a TV" thought the farmer, but as he passed the outhouse a week later, he noticed TWO antennas adorning the outhouse. "This is the last straw" said the farmer, and headed straight for the outhouse. "Why are two antennas necessary?", he asked the bum. "Sir", he replied, "the second antenna belongs not to me, but to the Turk who moved in downstairs."

CON: Sultan McCarty has assured his people their defenses will be adequate to contain the Anglo-German hordes, with the help of their Austrian friends.

BER: Kaiser "Hot Rod" Howe, inspired by latest press, now working on a sequel called "Berthe Blows Berlin"

YOUR STORY HAS TOUCHED
MY HEART

Let's try
again →

NEVER BEFORE HAVE I MET ANYONE
WITH MORE TROUBLES THAN YOU
HAVE. PLEASE ACCEPT THIS EX-
PRESSION OF MY SINCERE SYMPATHY

———NOW FUCK OFF———
AND QUIT BOTHERING ME!

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ACTION LOOMING IN FRANCE AND EAST

APR 2 1980

Winter, 1902: England builds F LVP; France r F Bel OTB,
builds F BRE; Germany builds A BER; Italy builds A VEN;
Russia builds A MOS

SPRING, 1903:

AUSTRIA (Petrie):	F Aeg-ION; A Bul-CON; A SER S A Tyo-Tri; A Tyo-TRI; <u>A BOH-Vie</u>
ENGLAND (Mitchell):	F Lvp-NAO; F Eng-IRI; F Nth-ENG; F Nwy-NTH; A BEL S GERMAN A Ruh-Bur
FRANCE (Johnson)	A Par-PIC; A Bur-MAR; <u>A Spa S A Bur-Mar</u> /d/r Gas, Otb; F POR S F Por-Mid; F Por-MAO
GERMANY (Cummings):	A Ber-PPU; <u>F SWE-GoB</u> ; A MUN S A Ruh-Bur; A Ruh-BUR; A KIE S A Mun; A HOL H
ITALY (Grabar):	A VEN S A Pie-Tyo; A Pie-TYO; <u>A Tri-Vie</u> /d/r Bud, Otb; F Mid- SPAsc; F GLYO S F Mid-Spasc
RUSSIA (Chatfield):	A Mos-LVN; <u>F STPsc-GoB</u> ; A Rum-GAL; F BLA S AUSTRIAN A Bul-Con; A Sev-ARM

COA of sorts: Joe Petrie, from Gernerall Delivery to "Box 682". Rest the same.

This is the liveliest game I've had in quite some time! Let's see Fall, 1902 with my mail received at work WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1980. And look what I forgot to add:

TURKEY (Becker): NMR! A SMY, A ANK H; F Con H/d/r Aeg, otb

Press:

STP-BER: See, I've kept my part of the bargain. If you've broken yours again, I'll really do something crazy.

ROME: Peace be with you.

(No dateline): I Haven't moved—same Rockford address.

PARIS-ROME: Who says I don't pay my debts?

WAR-TRIESTE: Gee whiz, Dave, couldn't ya wait till 1904 like we planned? I got first dibs on Bud, OK?

PARIS: The city is burning and le President fiddles (with himself).

MARSEILLES: An official deputation from the major's council met with Italian officials today.

Rumor has it that the keys to our city were presented to General Bombastino of A PIE.

TURKEY: Shit!

A zine published by Jack Frost, carried as a feature in The BRUTUS BULLETIN
In this issue: GAME START

I can't understand why, but the seven of you want to go at each other in a very fast game. Deadline for this game will be successive Saturdays at noon local time. The first such deadline is Saturday, April 5, 1980. In keeping with CD's traditions, there will be no standbys. (Besides, who'd want to?) As usual, countries were assigned by double blind draw. If you submit more than two press releases per season, you'd better type them or I might not use them. And of course, it's black press. I am expecting everyone to submit their own orders, right Fluff? Make sure you sign 'em.

AUSTRIA: Bill Shaffer; 916 Larkspur Lane; Edmond, OK 73034
ENGLAND: Gary Howe; 2012 Sandra Drive; Midwest City, OK 73110
FRANCE: David Pilant; 3801 SE 23 St; Del City, OK 73115
GERMANY: Mike Henry; 516 West Alpine; Austin, TX 78704
ITALY: Nathan Mitchell; 426 E Ferrill; Norman, OK 73071
RUSSIA: Tom Henthorn; 215 E Chicago Ave, Apt 1202; Chicago, IL 60611
TURKEY: John Michalski; Rt 10 Box 526 Q; Moore, OK 73165
GM: Jack Frost, RR4 Box 138B; Lockport, IL 60441

I almost forgot: This game is THE FLUFF SHAFFER MEMORIAL DEMOLITION SPECIAL

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THE CANAL DREGS

April 5, 1980

A zine published by Jack Frost
Carried as a feature by The Brutus Bulletin
In this issue: 1980 AQ AND THEY'RE OFF...

Spring 1901:

AUSTRIA (Shaffer): F Tri-ALB; A Bud-SER; A Vie-TRI
ENGLAND (Howe): F Lon-NTH; F Edi-NWG; A Lpl-YOR
FRANCE (Pilant): F Bre-ENG; A Par-EUR; A MAR sup A Par-Bur
GERMANY (Henry): F Kie-DEN; A Mun-RUH; A Ber-KIE
ITALY (Mitchell): F Nap-ION; A Rom-VEN; A Ven-TYR
RUSSIA (Henthorn): F Stp-GOB; A Mos-STP; A War-GAL; F SEV-Bla
TURKEY (Michalski): F ANK-Bla; A Con-EUL; A Smy-CON

Deadline for Fall 1901 orders is April 12, a Saturday. CAPS indicate final position of unit, underlined orders fail in execution.

PRESS

VIENNA: Doctors at our famed medical institute have recently discovered what is believed to be the world's largest tumor. It has been named the OKLAH-OMA.

MAR-PIE: Nathan, you beast!

ROME-WORLD: Buy stock in Preparation H 'cause Pilant's got piles again.

CON-BER: I'll trade you countries if Jack is willing.

ANK-WEST: Well, did the Pilant curse hold true this time too?

SMYRNA: If the Mad Austrian took Con this season, I'll be pissed.

CON: Who is spreading all these rumors about me? I'm a nice guy. Ask our hamster. Ask our dog. Ask our mongoose. Ask our pirranha fish. Ask...

VIENNA: East, west, north, south. Who haven't I screwed lately?

CON-BER: Boy, did you ever fall into a pit of vipers! Have fun!

LON-PAR: Want to invest in some Aggie futures?

BELGRADE, SERBIA: Today the vacancy for Crown Prince was given to one Uli Baumeister just to spice up the press.

LOCKPORT: Are there really two Uli Baumeisters?

? (That means "no dateline", Pilant): It's great to be a pervert.

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In this issue: 1980 AQ (The Fluff Shaffer Memorial Demolition Special))
ITALY TAKES A VACATION

Fall 1901:

AUSTRIA (Shaffer): F ALB-Ion; A Tri-SER; A Ser-GRE

ENGLAND (Howe): F Nwg-NWY; F NTH sup F Nwg-Nwy; A Yor-LON

FRANCE (Pilant): A Bur-BEL; F ENG sup A Bur-Bel; A Mar-SPA

GERMANY (Henry): A RUH-Bel; F DEN-Swe; A Kie-HOL

ITALY (Mitchell): F ION, A VEN, A TYR hold (NMR)

RUSSIA (Henthorn): A GAL sup Ita A Tyr-Vie; F SEV-Run; F GOB-Swe; A Stp-FIN

TURKEY (Michelski): F Ank-BIA; A BUL-Run; A CON-Bul

Supply Center Chart for 1901:

NET COUNTRY CENTERS

5 +2 AUSTRIA Bud, Vie, Tri, GRE, SER

4 +1 ENGLAND Edi, Lpl, Lon, NWY

5 +2 FRANCE Bre, Mar, Par, BEL, SPA

5 +2 GERMANY ser, Kie, Mun, DEN, HOL

3 0 ITALY Nap, Rom, Ven

4 0 RUSSIA Mos, Stp, Sev, War

4 +1 TURKEY Ank, Con, Sny, BUL

4 -8 Neutrals ~~BEL~~, ~~BEL~~, ~~BEL~~, ~~BEL~~, ~~BEL~~, ~~BEL~~, Por, Run, ~~BEL~~, ~~BEL~~, Swe, Tun

Deadline for 1901 adjustments and Spring 1902 orders is Saturday April 19.

PRESS.

ROME: Pope Nathan the Fierce wishes to thank E, Baumeister for 'Ol suggestions.

ION-CON: If I'm a viper, are you an asp-hole?

PAR-ION: To clarify Franco-English relations: Blow it out your ass!

PAR-ROM: Grabar licks- Oops wrong game! PAR-ANK: Meet you in Rome.

ROME-ASSTRIA: Bend over 'cause here it comes! VIENNA: Oooh, do it again!

AP-UPI SPECIAL RELEASE: Nathan Mitchell sucks donkey dicks.

?: Do you know why Pilant's got piles? Ask ULI.

FOR SALE: One 8-inch dick. Vaseline not provided.

PS: No there is only one Uli. I still have constipation so the other will have to wait.

?: Pilant may be a pervert, but does he have to lick everyone he sees?

BER-PAR: Is anybody home?

BER-MOS: I know I'm not from Okla but you won at Krusk & I've never forgiven you

CON: Don't worry there Fluff., ole boy. I'll do all the correspondence and figure your moves for you. All you have to do is make up some outrageous shit for the press.

TRI-CON: Would you still do my moves and stuff for me if I revealed that you have to use a penile extension to satisfy your inflatable woman? No, huh? Okay, I won't mention it to anyone.

CON: Skyrocketing inflation!! I love it!! It was delivered today in a plain brown wrapper.

LOOKFORT-YOU KNOW WHO: You're right, it was terrible.

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 In this issue: 1980 C

PIERCE ACTION IN THE EAST

Fall 1903: TURKEY disbands F Aeg (sic: sinks)

Winter 1903: AUSTRIA builds A BUD
 GERMANY builds F KIE
 ITALY builds A VEN
 RUSSIA builds A MOS
 TURKEY builds A ANK

Spring 1904:

AUSTRIA (Parker): A Ukr-Sev, dislodged, destroyed; A RUM sup A Ukr-Sev;
 A BUD sup A Rum; A SER-Bul; F GRE sup A Ser-Bul; A GAL sup Ger A Sil-War

ENGLAND (Pilant): MAR: F NTH, F NWG, A YOR hold; F Eng holds, dislodged,
 retreat to Iri, Lon, Wal, or disband

GERMANY (Osuch): F Kie-DEN; A Den-SWE; A Ruh-KIE; A Sil-WAR; A Par-BRE;
 A PIC sup A Par-Bre; F BEL sup Ita F Mid-Eng

ITALY (Rowe): F Ion-EAS; F AEG sup F Ion-Eas; A Ven-PIE; F Mid-ENG; F Por-MID;
 A MAR holds; A SPA holds

RUSSIA (Sniegowski): F NWY holds; A STP sup F Nwy; A Mos-UKR; A SEV sup
 A Mos-Ukr; F BLA-Rum; A BUL sup F Bla-Rum; A War-Gal, dislodged, retreat
 to Pru, Lvn, Mos, or disband

TURKEY (Johnson): A CON sup Rus A Bul; A ANK sup A Con; A SMY sup A Con
 Deadline for retreats, and Fall 1904 orders is Thursday, April 10 at noon.

PRESS

?: Dig in, Mohamed, it's going to be a long war.

ROME-LONDON: Make me an offer.

BERLIN-LONDON: My patience has exhausted. Kiss your ass goodbye, my fine
 feathered fuckhead.

BERLIN-EDINBURGH: I see where it's been proven in recent studies that opium
 consumption detrimentally affects Diplomacy playing. No wonder.

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TURKEY BARES CLAWS; DEJA VU IN THE WEST

Spring 1910: AUSTRIA retreats A Mos-UKR; (Also ordered F Ion-TUN, sorry)

Fall 1910: AUSTRIA (Kador): A UKR-Mos; A WAR sup Tur A Mos-Lvn; A Gal-SIL;
 A VIE sup Ita A Bon; A RUM sup F Bul; F BUL sup A Rum; F Tun-TYN

ENGLAND (Howe): F MID-Por; F NAO-Mid; F ENG sup F Nao-Mid; F Nwg-NTH;
 A MUN sup Rus A Sil; A Ruh-KIE; A BUR-Mar; A GAS sup A Bur-Mar; A LON holds

ITALY (McMahon): F SPA-Por; F NAF-Mid; F WES-Spa; A MAR sup F Wes-Spa
 A PIE sup A Mar; A TYR sup A Bon; A BOH sup Aus A Gal-Sil

RUSSIA (Michalski): A Sil-War, dislodged, destroyed; A Kie-DEN;
 A STP sup Tur A Mos; F PRU-Lvn; F GOB-Lvn; A BER sup Eng A Mar

TURKEY (Osuch): A SEV sup A Mos; A MOS sup Rus A Sil-War; F Aeg-GRE;
 F BLA sup A Sev

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GERMANY GETS A LITTLE HELP FROM HIS FRIENDS,
 BUT HOW LONG WILL THAT LAST ?

Spring 1904: ENGLAND retreats F Eng-LON
 RUSSIA retreats A War-MOS

Fall 1904:

AUSTRIA (Parker): A Run-BUL; F GRE & A SER sup A Run-Bul; A GAL-Run;
 A BUD sup A Gal-Run

ENGLAND (Pilant): F NWG-Nwy; F Nth sup F Nwg-Nwy, dislodged, retreat to
 Edi, Hel, Ska, or disband; F LON sup F Nth; A YOR-YOR (sic)

GERMANY (Osuch): A BRE holds; A PIC sup A Bre; A Kie-HOL; A WAR holds;
 A Swe-DEN; F Den-NTH; F BEL sup F Den-Nth

ITALY (Howe): F ENG sup Ger F Den-NTH; F Mid sup F Eng; A Mar-BUR; A Sps-GAS;
 A PIE holds; F Eas-ION; F AEG sup Aus A Run- Bul

RUSSIA (Sniegowski): A Bul sup A Ukr-Run, dislodged, destroyed; A Ukr-RUM;
 A SEV & F BIA sup A Ukr-Run; A Mos-UKR; A STP sup F Nwy; F NWY sup Ger
F Den-Nth

TURKEY (Johnson): A CON sup Rus A Bul; A ANK & A SMY sup A Con

Supply Center Chart for 1904:

#	NET	COUNTRY	CENTERS
6	+1	AUSTRIA	Bud, Tri, Vie, Gre, Ser, Kia , BUL
3	0 or -1	ENGLAND	Edi, Lpl, Lon, Bre
9	+2	GERMANY	Ber, Kie, Bel, Den, Hol, Mun, Par, BRE, WAR
7	0	ITALY	Nap, Rom, Ven, Mar, Tun, Spa, Por
6	.0	RUSSIA	Mos, Sev, Stp, War , Swe, BAL , Nwy, RUM
3	0	TURKEY	Ank, Con, Smy

Deadline for retreats and adjustments, and the Spring 1905 orders is April 21,
 Monday, at noon.

PRESS

MUN-VEN: Would you, could you, in the east?

BER-ROM: Sorry stop cannot give you my centers like France did in Iberia and
 Marseilles stop hope we can work something out soon stop if not stop stop
 stop stop stop stop ...

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ENGLAND MAKES SOME HEADWAY;
 AUSTRIA SEEKS REVENGE !

Winter 1910: ENGLAND builds F LPL
 RUSSIA disbands A Den
 TURKEY builds A CON; F SMY

Spring 1911:

AUSTRIA (Kador): A WAR-Mos; A UKR sup A Rum-Sev; A Rum-SEV; A Vie-BUD;
 A SIL-Mun; F Tyn-ION; F Bul-Bla, dislodged, retreat to Rum or disband

ENGLAND (Howe): F Mid-POR; F NAO-Mid; F ENG sup F Nao-Mid; A Lon-HOL;
 F NTH con A Lon-Hol; F Lpl-IRI; A Bur-MAR; A GAS sup A Bur-Mar; A KIE sup
 A Mun; A MUN sup Rus A Ber

ITALY (McMahon): F Spa-MID; F NAF & F WES sup F Spa-Mid; A PIE-Mar;
 A Mar-Bur, dislodged, retreat to Spa or disband; A TYR & A BOH sup Aus
 A Sil-Mun

RUSSIA (Michalski): A STP sup Tur A Mos; A BER sup Eng A Mun; F Gob-LVN;
 F PRU sup F Gob-Lvn

TURKEY (Osuch): F Sny-AEG; A Con-BUL; F GRE & F BLA sup A Con-Bul;
 A MOS sup A Sev; A Sev sup A Mos, dislodged, retreat to Arn or disband

Deadline for retreats and Fall 1911 orders is April 21, a Monday, at noon.

PRESS

BUD-LOCKPORT: I got it! It came in Saturday's mail.

LOCKPORT: A likely story. We know where you really got it.

STP-LOCKPORT: No, Howe and I are holding the west. That Deja Vu guy must be
 in Turkey, or Austria.

LOCKPORT: I understand he couldn't get a visa.

LONDON-LOCKPORT: If you ask what could be more profane than a racial slur, you
 have clearly never seen a picture of Andy McMahon, or met Bill Shaffer, or
 smelled Dave Pilant's breath, or Michalski's feet, or...

LOCKPORT: That might be how you get your kicks, but it's not my idea of fun.

VIE-CON: If you say so, it will be my hourly concern to make it so, but I am
 taking this occasion to let you know with warm personal affection and esteem
 that your balls and surrounding soft tissue are forfeit.

CON-LCN: Dear sir, Please remember your promise to me. I've never won before.

BUD: When is something alive? When it takes nourishment, when it eliminates,
 and when it, eventually, dies. According to this definition, a turkey is
 definitely alive. But not for long.

LOCKPORT: Let me get this straight: You contend that something is alive if it
 dies? Very interesting...

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MAD POPE, OLD SULTAN BID US FAREWELL

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The Adopted Game
FALL, 1905

Summer, 1905: French A Ber r MUN; Turkish A Bud r RUM

AUSTRIA (Cartier):
ENGLAND (Reese):A Tri-Ser/d/r Vie, Otb; A BUD S A Tri-Ser
F BAR-StPnc; A NWY-Fin; A SWE-Fin; F SKA S F Nth-Den; F Nth-DEN;
F Nwg-NTH; F KIE-Ber; F BAL S F Kie-Ber

FRANCE (Columbo):

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Tyn-Ion; F GLyo-TYN; A Mun-BOH; A RUH S A Bur-Mun; A Bur-MUN

ITALY (Madman):

F APU-Adr

RUSSIA (Baillie):

A BER H; A SIL S A Ber; A FIN S F StPnc-Nwy; F STPnc-Nwy; F Den-Swe/
d/r Hlgo, Otb; A LVN-StPTURKEY (~~Yolyef~~)(Guajardo): A Gre-SER; A RUM-Bud; A Ser-TRI; F ALB & F ADR S A Ser-Tri;
F AEG S F Ion; F Ion H/d/r Eas, Gre, Otb

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 for Russia, but the
 numbers, etc., were OK

Winter, 1905 adjustments and SPRING, 1906 will be due with my mail received at home
 WEDNESDAY, May 7, 1980, 3½ weeks away. This should give you all time to do a little
 negotiating if you wish; or maybe you can all vote for a draw or concession if you
 don't want to bother, or.....

Press follows.

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CONSTANTINOPLE -- After nearly a week of palace intrigue which crippled the government of the Ottoman Empire, a new and unknown personality has risen to the throne of the Sultan. Janissary spokesmen assured the press and the people that the new Sultan, Abdul Mohamet Hashish, takes the throne with the blessings of the former Sultan. The Janissaries declined to comment on the unfortunate demise of the former Sultan.

Rumors abound throughout the capital claim that new Sultan is merely a figurehead propped up by the janissaries to retain order, and speculation over who holds the real power rages throughout the streets and bazaars.

One such rumor claims that Sultan Hashish is in reality a youthful American tourist imprisoned for smuggling narcotic substances. European newsmen who were able to get close to new ruler before being chased away by the watchful janissaries report that the new Sultan did appear young and spoke English. It is reported that he asked for a "bowl", and upon entering ex-Sultan's harem is said to have remarked, "Wow, wealth, power and a harem too. This sure beats the midnight express."

But just how much power the new sultan has remains to be seen, since he has been closeted away by janissaries and no major policies have come from the royal palace. All government pronouncements have come from the head of the Sultan's motorcycle corps, Col. Artuturk, who announced through the foreign ministry that Turkey intends to join with Europe's absolute rulers to stop the Anglo-French juggernaut, in an effort to make the world safe for autocracy.

Foreign analysts here believe that Sultan Hashish will live only as long as he is politically useful. They believe that Col. Artuturk is really the power behind the stoned.

Letter from Hugh Polley:

Mar 18, 1980

"I received your previous issue just 2 or 3 days before the deadline. Unfortunately, most foreign mail coming to Edmonton is cleared at Calgary first. This place is notorious for its shoddy performance in getting out the mail. In any case, diplomacy is beginning to become more work than fun for me, so I wish my successor well"

((This current deadline was extended, but I shall honor Hugh's regrettable request. To back him up, his letter was postmarked March 19 in Edmonton, Mar 25 in Salt Lake City, and Mar 27 in "Rock Springs, WY 82901"! Sad to see it necessary, but I guess the resignation then was just as well.)) J.M.

LETTERS

After all the "up-yours" type mail of recent times, how about a few the other way? I dedicate this page to John Kelley, who should not expect this kind of mail (as a pubber) very often. Most mail pubbers get is the first kind...

GARY COUGHLAN

4614 Martha Cole Lane, Memphis, TN 38118

(Excerpt)

I see I'm running low ((on sub balance)). I'm sure most of the other pubbers wish they had your problem: too many subbers.

I can't see being a part of the dip world without Brutus Bulletin. So, if I can choose, let my \$4 give me only 10 issues, instead of 12 as a resubber. Not much, but it may help a little.

Another suggestion: why not send out a "subscription questionnaire" in BB? Which asks this ones question with several choices ("Check until not applicable"):

Would you sub to BB if the price were: 10/\$4? /\$4.50? /\$5 ((.....)) /\$7.50? Then compare your answers, get the number of subbers you feel comfortable with, and raise your prices. It probably won't lose you any subbers but you may make it more worth your while. I am willing to pay any price because BB is a unique zine.

PS: Face it, you just have a winner on your hands and everyone loves a winner!

((--blush-- One letter like that makes up for about 3 from a Boardman-type. Can't grant your wish for 10, though. Fairness dictates that you get what you paid for, the full 12. The gesture counts for much more, though. Thanks much.

High rates might not cut it much, as you say. Steve McLendon is going at 70¢ an issue for DRAGON & THE LAMB, and says he hasn't lost many at all, net. I've received 4 checks in 2 days lately here, plus 3 new inquiries, but I will take out any adjustments necessary from the few complimentaries and the weaker trades. This issue will have a 55 copy run, period. Thanks for writing.)) J.M.

R MICHAEL CONNER

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(excerpt)

...It's always something of a shock to see BB appear in my mailbox so often. Not complaining y'understand. It's the only zine I read cover to cover immediately it arrives. Maybe its frequency gives it a sense of urgency and perishability. Have you considered moving to a weekly?

Here's my resub. Hope it's OK to double up on the savings. Saves writing another check in 3 or 4 months, too.

As ok.
((Yes. Sometimes I feel a little guilty about the pace which does eat through subs pretty fast, but like you say, there's something of a sense of urgency to me (as well) in that as the material builds up here (as it always seems to do), I'm in a hurry to move it out the door as soon as 10-11 sheets worth is accumulated, if only to avoid having to send out an issue and have 4 sheets already done to carry over to the NEXT one yet! It's a cycle that feeds on itself: the fast pace keeps news-type material 'fresh', which in turn brings more than an average amount of that stuff in, as people know that the whole matter won't have blown over by the time the piece goes out. Sometimes it works backwards, of course, as with the \$25,000 tournament hoax, but them's the breaks. I appreciate your taking the time to write.)) J.M.

I have a little space left, so let me add a couple of quick notes. First, as RANDOLPH SMYTH pointed out, BB is a little game-heary. This is true, as with his FSF also, and maybe even VD. This is caused by Jack Frost's 3 10-day games plus the new 7-day Special, plus my 5 and Osuch's 79N plus new game likely soon. That is a LOT of game results fast. I will be forced to run big issues for the foreseeable future, sorry. (I'm now sorry I didn't hold 61 over and pack in some of this other stuff...)

FRANCOIS CUERRIER (2210-160 Chapel St, Ottawa, Ont K1N 8P5) has asked that HE TOO be added to the mailing list of all those of you putting out the endless stream of recent FAKES! He and Jack Brawner are left out, for some reason. Send them one too, guys. (But don't drop ME!)

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THE PERILS OF PAULINA
(as featured in the
Brutus Bulletin)

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April 4, 1980

VACANT NORTH SEA
DRAWS A CROWD!

Winter 1901:

AUSTRIA (Mainardi): Builds A BUD, A VIE

ENGLAND (Kelly): Builds F EDI, A LVP

FRANCE (Howe): Builds F BRE

GERMANY (Kirchner): Builds F KIE, A MUN

ITALY (Henthorn): Builds F NAP

RUSSIA (Frost): Builds F STP(nc), A WAR

TURKEY (Mooney): Builds A SMY

A few rather surprising builds, don't you think? Or don't you? At any rate, I'd say things should liven up quite a bit in the next season. Very little press was submitted this time, though I'd expect that to change as hostilities mount. I should mention that NMRing is thoroughly discouraged, as I believe it is the nemesis of any good Diplomacy game. It's also unfair to those who can't capitalize by it. So be warned. If you NMR even once, I shall cross your name off my Christmas list!

Eric Kirchner has asked me to announce that he will temporarily be picking up his weekday mail at the following address: PSC Box 2431, Randolph AFB, TX 78148. On weekends he'll receive his mail at the regular address. Please mail any correspondence accordingly.

Spring 1902 orders are due with my mail received on Monday, April 21, 1980. I realize that this is Patriot's Day, but the USPS has assured me that they'll be delivering.

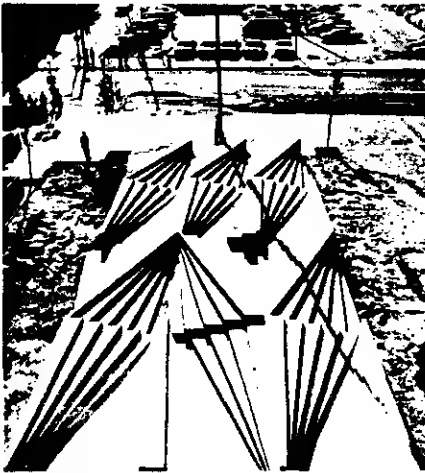
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Paris: Kelly, you scum, we will not rest until you are driven off our island and into the sea where you belong.

Vienna: It seems that the efforts of the emperor Francis Joseph have failed to keep peace in Europe. After nine months of negotiations the European heads of state could come to no agreements. In every country but Turkey and Austria there have been successful military coups which have toppled the old governments. Europe once again is braced for war.

Chicago-Chicago: Shame on you for thinking such a thing! I hope you were joking.

Your Taxes at Work



You could sit on them in nice weather, said Rep. William Whitehurst (R-Va.)—but benches would have cost a lot less than these \$50,000 concrete steps from nowhere to nowhere in front of the new federal building in Norfolk, Va. The General Services Administration commissioned the sculpture under its Art-in-Architecture program. Congressman Whitehurst's verdict: "GSA laid an egg."

(submitted by Harold B. Johnson)

The Department of Energy paid \$1,200 for research-and-development of a solar heated, compost-producing outhouse with a seat five feet above ground level. The Missouri inventor explains that his brainstorm—which he has named Sky Crapper—"provides pleasing and aesthetic moments of meditative contemplation in a small sunlit room perched six to eight feet above a back yard or garden view." Sen. William Proxmire (D-Wis.), on the other hand, calls the invention "an idea whose time has passed." The Missouri citizens' committee responsible for screening grant proposals didn't think much of the privy project either, but DOE overruled the committee and made the grant.

(submitted by Sheila J. Spencer)

The 3,600 youngsters who were given summer jobs by the District of Columbia government last year may have come away from the program with

some strange ideas about work. Senate investigators found that the youths "were paid to read, loll around and play soccer." Explained a D.C. official, "Kids soon become bored if required to put in six hours of work."

(submitted by Duncan Mackenzie)

More from our volunteer army: The armed services are spending \$16 million each year on remedial reading, writing and math programs to bring recruits up to fifth-to-ninth-grade level. Meanwhile, technical, training and field manuals are being rewritten down to seventh-grade standards. Some manuals now look like comic books.

HUD is demolishing some "eyesores" in Boston—about two dozen multifamily houses started in the early 1970s at a cost of \$6.7 million. The project, billed as the answer to scarcity of low-income housing in the city, never quite worked out; the developers tried to build too many units at once and quickly went bankrupt. Not a single building was ever completed, and of 40 started, only 17 can be salvaged. The rest are being torn down, at a cost of \$200,000. Meanwhile, Boston lost over half-a-million dollars in real estate taxes while the properties were in HUD hands.

(submitted by Ann C. Pfizenmaier)

Under its \$1.35 billion Energy Crisis Assistance Program, the Social Security Administration has spent unknown sums of money subsidizing fuel costs for people who don't pay fuel bills—for example, those living in old-age homes or other institutions. The government says it was quicker and easier to send the fuel checks to everyone receiving supplemental social security benefits than to weed out those who didn't need the extra money. Result: In Michigan alone, 16,850 of the 112,000 receiving the checks had no fuel expenses; their checks totaled almost \$3 million. Recipients can pass the subsidies on to the

institution they live in—if they want to. The manager of one home, fearing that her residents were more likely to blow their bonanza on alcohol and forbidden sweets, tried to send the money back—but the government won't take it.

(submitted by Richard Perich)

When Cook County, Ill., (the Chicago area) launched a drive to crack down on welfare cheaters, it found that it's not always easy to tell the foxes from the chickens. Last December, a grand jury indicted 42 persons accused of illegally receiving \$562,800 in welfare money. Twenty-nine of them were current or former government employees of the federal, state or local government; one worked for the Cook County jail.

(submitted by Donald J. Senese)

A 27-year-old convicted robber in an Oregon penitentiary placed this ad in a local newspaper: "I will pay \$ for any female willing to marry me. No sex." The convict, who is taking college classes in prison, figures that even after he gives his in-name-only wife \$250 and, three years later, pays all costs of an uncontested divorce, he'll still be ahead; as a married man he will have received \$2,124 in benefits from the Veterans Administration. Says VA director John Vogel: "We don't question why a man gets married."

(submitted by D. J. Begley)

When the little mining town of Clintwood, Va., wanted federal help to build a sewer system, it found that it had an awful handicap: no minorities. To qualify for a HUD grant, the town had to earn "points" for hiring blacks or having blacks in subsidized housing. Clintwood has no blacks and no subsidized housing. The town finally solved the problem by creating a secretarial job and importing a black employee from 30 miles away.

(submitted by Roger Cook)

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The Second Blind Madman Game NOT MUCH TO REPORT.....

Winter, 1905: German A Sil r OTB

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SPRING, 1906: GERMANY (Madman): No units.

Summer, 1906 adjustments and FALL, 1906 will be due with my mail received at home
WEDNESDAY, April 23, 1980. There was no press.

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POLITICAL EDITORIAL from Dan Scott Palter, THE PINK DRAGON Vol 2, #1A, 4-1-80

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KENNEDY's TWO WINS-EVERYTHING AND NOTHING

The two Kennedy wins have to be taken on several levels. First, Carter brought part of it on himself-his UN vote caused the bulk of the older Jews to sit out the race and on grounds of personal life style they would have gone with Carter 100-1. The "normal" NY Demo primary vote is 33-45% Jewish-depending on whether upstate bothers to get involved. This time it was in the 22-25% range. The big drop was almost entirely people who would have voted Carter if dragged to the polls as the older Orthodox and Conservative Jewish vote tends to approach morality issues on a Bible Belt level and none of Kennedy's evasions change the fact that he was out drunk with some girl while his wife was stuck in the hospital with his kid-drowning her was just the iceing on the cake-publically running around on your wife would have been enough.

However, please to remember that even without the Jewish vote at all Carter lost the state. Yes its one of the most liberal states in the Union. Yes the problems of NYC skew it towards the big govy side of the slate. Still Carter, the Democratic Nixon in his ability to blow leads among other things, turned a 58-32 Monday poll advantage into a 59-41 loss. And none of the above explain Connecticut. The only growth area of Conn population are exactly those business types and their employees fleeing NYC and its problems. There aren't enough Jews there to swing the state. Its not that liberal(went Ford in 76) and still little lying Jimmy lost.

Now this is less a love of Kennedy than a dislike of Carter, but then Illinois and earlier have been less a love of Carter than a dislike of Kennedy. The bulk of the electorate has decisively rejected Kennedy as a President. Whether he killed the girl intentionally or not, whether his motives were pure, Carnal or merely confused don't matter at this point. Nobody believes his story and evrybody belives that he's a jetsetter and liar who is morally unfit to be President. That is a settled issue, and even if he hustles the nomination he's unelectable.

However, the voter rejection of Kennedy does not imply a rejection of what Kennedy has to say. Granted his programatic new deal liberalism is out of fsahion in most of the country. However, it still has an audience, most of all in the old industrial states of the Lakes and NE. That is the basic Kennedy vote, especially as Brown has been totally burried as a flake by the media leaving Kennedy with no enemy to the left. However, what put Kennedy over more than ever was his two basic themes-gas rationing and price controls. This is urban populism, a language and theme that Carter as a rural

populist seems not to understand at all. Carter is presuming that with Kennedy gone, the danger is to the right for November. He's presuming that the left will be trapped with him in the same manner as the right was trapped with Ford. Now this is true on the right. With the decline of Wallace and his party into fringe impotence, there exists no vehicle or candidate on the right for a voter disgusted with overmoderation by the two majors to flee to. However, the same is not true on the left. A ~~h~~assed try by McCarthy in '76 damned near threw the election to Ford by dumping Iowa, Oregon, Washington, Vermont, Maine and (almost) New York into the Republican column. Kennedy may be finished personally. However, in John Anderson his ideas live on in a more acceptable candidate. The Wisconsin results will probably free Anderson to make the move. If he doesn't, maybe Brown will. If both refuse, there is always Commoner and the Cit zen's Party. However, a liberal-left alternative promising controls, big government, SALT, withdrawal abroad and social engineering at home is virtually a certainty. The more Carter edges into being Jerry Ford with a Georgia accent, the greater this defection becomes. By staying in the race Kennedy is not just carrying out a personal vendetta. He is serving as a standard bearer for an entire political force, crucifying Carter on 20% interest, 20% inflation, recession, a rising defense budget, and all the other left icons. The lib-left intellectual clique is small and relatively powerless at the polls. When linked to issues like these, they acquire a following. This is something Carter does not understand. Proving that he can run better than Kennedy in basically GOP states like Vermont, NH or Iowa doesn't mean much. Proving that a northern democrat can't crack Dixie has been obvious since FDR died and segregation was abolished. What should be scaring Carter is that he has yet to convincingly prove that he can carry the industrial heartland that he needs to be reelected. Illinois doesn't count in that sense-its a crossover state and the Dems and inds who liked what Kennedy said but didn't like the man or didn't like Mayor Byrne merely crossed the aisle and voted for Anderson. Lacking that choice in NY and Conn, they are now voting Kennedy. Carter simply doesn't have the support for his programs once he lacks the flag to hide behind. And with day 150 of the hostage crisis, the flag is shrinking awfully small. His apparant strategy there is to ignore them and hope they go away. They won't and neither will his defeat. The conservatives will take the real McCoy come election day-a fair portion to his left will vote its heart and put Reagan in the White House. Those are the cards Jimmy is facing, and all the lies about UN votes or letters to the Imam aren't going to change the spots. Do not be surprised if come October we find a war crisis as Carter finds it his only path back to DC and out of the slammer.

((I'm starting to think that Reagan has a fighting chance, but I think it is only a chance. I think that after the conventions, the liberals will pull out all the filth that the arch criminal Johnston used against Goldwater, and the people will lap it right up just like they did then. Third party tries are tempting to many, I'm sure, especially on the left as Scott mentions; however, my guess is that they will not make a real go of it. I hope I'm wrong, but betting on the stupidity of the vast mass of voters out there is seldom a chancy proposition in the United States anymore. Not by a long shot.

LaFosse is our only hope.))

J.M.

AN ASTROLOGY LESSON and other assorted learnings in the mystic world, revealed to all by

CURTIS GIBSON

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(from an original letter to [REDACTED] Oops, I see I'm not supposed to say.)

...
Belief in astrology and reincarnation are both not only in harmony with the Bible, but necessary to be in harmony with it. (Of course many sciences are accepted automatically by you and most Bible believers without any mention of them in the Bible). (So I am tempted to say, what biz do you have asking for Biblical evidence?)

First, re astrology. Briefly, this was the no 1, central science of the learned men of the ancient world, in O.T. and N.T. times. But above all it was the science for which the Chaldaeans were renowned, much as U.S. today has more computer technology than the rest of the world combined, and as Germany pre WWI led the world in chemistry (+ seemed to in several other sciences wch we now kno they were building on erroneous theories + false assumptions, + post WWI science has largely discredited all their work except in chemistry)

So when Daniel we read of 4 ("kin"??) + 3 other young fellows, captives of the Chaldeans in Babylon, excelling in their studies over all the Chaldaean youth, we kno that this at least included in astrology, + probably was mainly in astrology. If you took up the study of astrology as a science you wd see that, unlike in math + physics, it is so complex that to really excell in it one needs to have keenly intuitive comprehension of a whole range of philosophical and psychological factors, as all the principles of life + human nature + human experience + affairs are involved. So these fellows being more spiritual than the Babylonian youth advanced far into it while the other students were still struggling with elementary stuff. They probably also had the highest IQ in their classes, as Jews so often do, wch wd enable them to get thru the mechanics of the subject (astronomy) faster than the others, but that is only a probability. Also remember that c. 900 yrs. earlier Moses was given the highest education available in Egypt, "learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians", wch was likely $\frac{1}{2}$ astrology, and a great preparation for leading Israel later, as astrology enables one to understand the world + the people in it, + be a wise leader.

The only negative references to astrology in the Bible were condemnations of the astrologers, not the science. I cd show you today a class of astrologers so unscientific + superstition-ridden, it's a disgrace that they're able to make a living, yet the public is so ignorant they do, + some are a big "success", as to \$.

Our conventional scientists condemn astrology out of total ignorance. The Encyclopedia Britannica has a brief article on it, not written by an astrologer but by some 'scientist' (probably with a PhD in Math or Astronomy) whose write-up shows he isn't into it as far as a serious student in his 2d or 3rd day of a 1 yr. course! If you assume a subject is false, you usually get nowhere in comprehension of it. Astrology is exactly as scientific as any other science. It uses the 'scientific method' of systematically recording observed phenomena and therefrom deducing the laws of cause + effect involved, wch enable us to successfully predict future phenomena. Much astrological work has ignored the problems of physics + chemistry that wd arise shd one try to discover how planetary cycles effect their influence on humans + the natural world. Since the main area of study is re what effect they do have on us we astrologists can leave the problems of how, for the steadily developing sciences of physics + biology to wrestle with. In the past 100 yrs., since these scientists became so impressed with themselves (each generation finding that the previous one was mistaken about a lot of things, some essential theoretically) we've seen them all condemn because they couldn't see how it works. Like a child so big-headed that he wd smash a pocket calculator (Xmas gift) because it insulted his 'intelligence'. Now at last some physicists + biologists, specialists in the effects of magnetic fields on living organisms, claim they may hv discovered the previously unknown influences on wch astrology is based (physically). But we astrologists have no need to kno. We are scientists, + a scientist shd be generally aware of where his science's boundaries are. We weren't trying to be physicists, but the physical scientists, being generally immature + egotistical, tried to demand that!

The reason I'm giving this subject 3x the space I intended to is that I've decided to get xeroxes of this letter and enclose as one of the items with Ultsent (ish #3) going out c. Mar 25. Those receiving it likely include some with no faith in either astrology or reincarnation and maybe none accept both, + so as Ultsent ed. + known to believe in both it's about time I eliminated some of the readers' fields of ignorance wch myt be sharply reducing their regard for me as an intellectual generally.

Now, for reincarnation, this is so vital to theology that, unlike astrology, I can see

Gibson, conclusion

sense in one's demanding tt it be harmonized with the Bible. I was only c. 20 when I discovered astrology was a real science, but it was not till 1940, when I was c. 25, tt I finally came upon convincing evidence re re-incarnation, + several yrs more before I read about t Council of Constantinople wch was called by Emp. Justinian to condemn tt as heresy altho it had bn the doctrine of t Church originally (as you'll see in t O.T. and N.T.), because his wicked Empress Theodosia had committed such crimes tt she cdn't bear to imagine tt t law of Karma wd require her to expiate by becoming herself a victim of similar atrocious crimes in future lives (+/or cdn't bear to have others believing tt she wd be thus punisht). Just'n + The'a packt t council wi their appointees as delegates, to get results!

In t case of Jesus' healing t man born blind, his disciples askt, "Who sinned, ts mar or his parents, tt he shd be born blind?" So here we see tt after at least a yr. as Jesus constant companions, free to discuss everything in theology, + probably doing so frequently, they did believe in reincarnation, + were simply curious as to whether this was a case of personal Karma, from a past incarnation, or a case of group karma (we are all members of a number of groups of souls, of various sizes from family up to nation + race, each of wch is involved in group guilts + group actn merits tt have subsequent, i.e. karmic, 'harvests'.)

Jesus' reply is very instructive and no doubt t author recorded th incident because of it. "Nay, but tt t glory of God shd be manifest." No doubt there had been other times whe he said tt karma cn be used to account for only part of t affliction we see, but they likely were still in tt habit wch dominates t popular thinking in India, re karma, + in occidental circles tt hv accepted reincarnation doctrine, of assuming others' misfortunes to be due to negative karma. It is a grievous error, because it tends to wipe out a feeling tt we ot to be keenly concerned and ot to act to counter those misfortunes of others.

It is as tho we were naive visitors to a race track, + looking at t program noted tt in many races t weyts assigned differ, + remarked, "Oh see No. 3 has 125 lbs., 4 more than any other! Cn you tell us, is tt because he's behaved so bad in a past race, or because his owner had to be penalized?" Nay, but so he cn prove again his merit is t greatest! (i.e. his devine endowment).

We kno Jesus + Co. held reincarnation as a basic doctrine. When he asked, "Whom do men say I am?", the disciples answered tt some say Elias, + some "tt prophet wch is to come (t Messiah)", etc., so we kno tt Jewry, or at least Galilee, recognized reincarnation of ("avatars" ?), + probably of us all. It had always bn in t Hebrew wisdom traditn via Solomon + Elijah + Daniel etc., but only t Galileean (mainly) sect called Essene, of wch J.X. + co. were all members, still held it firmly.

When David in t Psalms says he hopes to "become a pillar in t house of my God, + go no more forth", he referred to tt final graduate status, karma cleared, when one is relea from t cycle of reincarnation forever (but able to reincarnate at will, as an avatar). There are several other such references in t O.T. We who accept Christ as savior kno he is able to "save to the utter most", meaning "eventually", even tho in this incarnation we myt not achieve tt graduation because of carnality. Some "shall be saved so as by fire" t N.T. says, wch means t soul loses its body (etheral) in Hades (Purgatory) but "the spirit goeth back to God who gave it," one passage promises. In t Bible, soul (psyche) + spirit (pneuma) are carefully distinguished. It is t spirit tt is divine-immortal-eternal, + that is what reincarnates, each life another lesson in t course of educatn tt eventually produces a saint, ready to reign in t celestial gov't of t Cosmos. (orientals often have soul reincarna, an inferior kind tt Christianity banned)

BILL LAFOSSE (Toronto Telegram)

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(in response to an inquiry from me as to whether his English imperfections might be due to a French background)

Actually I'm neither English or French, I am Vietnamese. I came over in 1961, I'm fluent in all 3 languages.

((Ah, that explains it!))

J.M.

REMEMBER THESE? I made them, Grabar reprinted it, Masters picked it up & printed it for Berch's KK, & here they are, BACK HERE again!

all purpose Diplomacy letter

Game: 19 _____
Zine: _____
Date: _____

TO: A E F G I R T (circle one)
FROM: A E F G I R T (circle one)

Dear King Emperor Czar Kaiser Pope Sultan President Ally Friend Neighbor Enemy Nurd Puppet (circle one).

Welcome to the new ()game ()season. I am your
()northern ()southern ()eastern ()western neighbor.
I would like to propose that wa
() ally with
() declare a truce with
() sign a nonaggression pact with
() fight with
() help
() lie to
() cooperate with
() cheat
() love
() screw
() stab
() _____
each other.

Please ()write ()call ()drop dead ()NMR ()tell
me your plans ()move to _____ ()support _____
()convoy _____.

Pardon my atyle. I will try to be less paraonal next
time.

()Sincerely ()Respectfully ()Hardly ()Up
Yours

Signed _____

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Yours

Signed _____

all purpose Diplomacy letter

Game: 19 _____
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TO: A E F G I R T (circle one)
FROM: A E F G I R T (circle one)

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